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Manager McMillan, of the Mikado mine, arrived in town Wednesday with the result of the January mill run. The value of the bricks is a little over $14,000.

The sorting plant is now in operation and running smoothly. It began work the first of the month. It is expected that this will make the output of the mine much larger from now on, as it will not only make the average grade of the rock higher, but it will remove the portion of the ore with a tendency to slime, so that the mill should give a better percentage of gold extraction.

The development work is being carried on in connection with the milling, and there is now a reserve ore supply block sufficient to run the 20 stamp mill [illegible] years. The mine is in the best condition financially. There is a large sum of money in the treasury, and each month this sum is augmented. It is perhaps unfortunate in a way that the stock of this company is held in the hands of a dozen or [illegible] Rhymers. It has been a good thing for the success of the mine, however, as no money has been spared to place it in a paying condition. The bullion output is published in London every month, and will serve to attract attention to the Ontario gold mining region. Although the Mikado mine is in such a flourishing condition it is only partially opened out. The motive machinery is very expensive to operate and it is likely that it will be replaced by a more economical plant. The Mikado mine will be equipped with ten additional stamps to the milling plant as the present stage of development will supply a 30-stamp mill with plenty of ore. There is another vein on the Mikado mine as yet practically untouched which gives evidence of being fully as valuable as the ore from which such excellent results are being obtained. Sinking and drifting is going on all the time on the main vein and the results are highly satisfactory. It will doubtless be decided in the course of a few months what will be the policy of the company as to future operations, whether they will continue at the present rate, or whether they will spend the treasury reserve in new plant and opening out the mine to its best producing stage.

Managers of mining properties operating in this region will have the benefit of the experience of the people opening up the Mikado and it should be a most valuable object lesson to them of what can be accomplished. Although the Mikado is one mine which has won success here, let it not be imagined for an instant that it is the only one which will prove a bonanza. There are a great many now proven to be valuable, and other promising prospects which will come to the front if capital in a sufficiently great amount is judiciously spent on them. The Mikado is a good mine, but as the years roll by new mines will constantly come up and get into the procession of dividend payers. We can say that as yet the gold mines of Western Ontario are practically untouched.

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SPLENDID RECOGNITION OF OUR WONDERFUL RESOURCES BY A LONDON, ENG., JOURNAL.

The following extract from an article taken from the North American Mining Journal, a magazine published in London, Eng., and which has a large circulation among the investing class, will be read with interest by the owners of a number of our low grade propositions. Mr. Lefroy, the editor, was here for some weeks last summer, and went carefully over the district collecting statistics and other information. He also visited other mining districts in North America, on the same mission, and therefore his conclusions as to this district are of the utmost importance. Heretofore the North American Journal has given more attention to British Columbia, but since the visit of Mr. Lefroy it has contained much information that will enlighten the English investor:

"The following table gives the average value of ore and milling cost in some of the world's great quartz gold-fields:

	Av. Value of Ore.	Mill Cost.
Homestake, South Dakota, U.S.	$ 3.30	$ 0.70
Cripple Creek, Colorado, U.S.	7.00	0.71
Grass Valley, Cal., U.S.	6.00	0.75
Amador Co., Cal., U.S.	4.75	0.65
Treadwell, Alaska	2.85	0.80
Kalgoorlie, Coolgardie, Australia	8.00	0.58
Mt. Morgan, Australia	8.00	0.56
Mt. Lyell, Tasmania	10.00	0.85
Tharsis, Spain	10.00	0.90

"Under circumstances where mining is most economically carried on, namely, at the Alaska Treadwell, it costs 80 cents to break the ore and transport it to the mill. It is probable that one of the larger deposits in Ontario will be found to be equally cheap for milling and 25c per ton of crude ore for the treatment of concentrates by chlorination, and the average mining freight and treatment cost totals $2.50 per ton, an ample allowance, which will be exceeded in small veins and diminished in large veins. It is difficult to form any estimate of the value of the ore in this district. There are generally all kinds of values in the same district and even in the same vein. The average of the ore so far tested by returns is between $10 and $14 per ton. But this only means that enough ore of this grade has been mined to give the present output. The average value of the ore mined will be determined by the average cost of production, and not by any determinable law of occurrence. As facilities increase, the average value of the ore mined will steadily decrease, while the tonnage will steadily increase, and with the increase of tonnage the aggregate profits will also increase while the profits per ton will diminish. This decrease will probably be arrested at the point of 4½ dwt. per ton, although in individual cases ore of a lower grade than this may be profitably mined. It may seem an extravagant statement to make at the present time but it is made with a full sense of what it involves—that the Rainy River district of Ontario has ore enough of this character to make it one of the dominant factors in the gold production of the world, and probably the dominant factor in the gold production of North America."

GOLDEN STAR.

Chances for Success are Very Good in the Opinion of Mining Men.

In a conversation with a prominent mining man we learn that it is quite evident that the Golden Star mine has promise of a long successful future before it. He says people who are at all well acquainted with mining know that there are often barren spots encountered in the ores or places quite low in grade compared with the general run of the ore. Sometimes these spots are quite small and again they cover a considerable distance. It is often the case where the practice of following the rich places along the vein is carried out that this discovered that the barren spot was of practically no consequence and was perhaps only a foot in thickness and of limited

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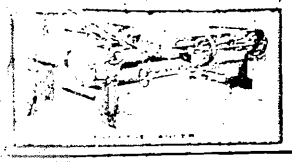

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MAIL SERVICE TO FORT FRANCES.

BY WAY OF THE LAKE OF THE WOODS TO BE PUT IN FORCE AT ONCE.

The delegates of the Board of Trade who went to Ottawa to interview the various Departments as to Mail service and improvements necessary in connection with navigation report that: The mail service to Fort Frances by way of Lake of the Woods will be put immediately into force. The postmaster-general having given instruction as to the contract.

The Minister of Marine and Fisheries has promised that two or more lighthouses will be erected on Lake of the Woods, one at Burton Island and one on Big Island, and the probability is that a third will be built and a bell buoy placed on a sunk rock at the south end of Lake of the Woods.

The Minister of Public Works has promised that he will support an appropriation sufficient to construct locks at the Sault Rapids. He had no hesitation in saying so, as he is of opinion that it is the only method by which a good system of navigation can be attained.

They purpose going to Toronto next week in connection with roads and improving of inland navigation.

Hammond Reef.

The more that is learned of the Hammond Reef the better pleased seem the directors with that proposition. Heretofore the Reef has been considered a $4 to $5 deposit, but the latest advices from the mine are to the effect that the ore in places runs much higher. A telegram received yesterday stated that 15 samples of ore, taken from the bottom of the present working shaft went $13 to the ton an average. The shaft referred to is down 40 feet from the bottom of the open quarry, out of which several thousand tons of ore have already been taken, and which itself is about 40 feet in depth. These assays referred to therefore, give an idea of the value obtained at an depth of about 80 feet below the survice. About a quarter of a mile away from the shaft spoken of, a tunnel is being driven into the side of the reef with encouraging results.

The addition of 30 extra stamps has been completed and the mill therefore now has a capacity of 40 stamps. Mr Hogue, an employee of the London Financial Corporation, who has done on part work for them in New Zealand, the various Australian colonies, South Africa and Ontario, pronounces the Hammond Reef a first class proposition.—Washington Star.

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encountered in the ores of places quite low in grade compared with the general run of the ore. Sometimes these spots are quite small and again they cover a considerable distance. It is often the case where the practice of following the rich places along the vein is carried out that it is discovered that the lean spot was of practically no consequence and was perhaps only a foot in thickness and of limited length. The Golden Star mine is said to be in very rich ore now and the indications are that it will continue with further sinking. There is one thing about the Golden Star which presumably is not known by the general public, that is, that the mine was almost entirely gutted of the rich ore exposed, and some of the levels were left in a very dangerous condition by the former management. The management have since that time spent their energies in opening out new ground and making the old safe enough to work in. However, since that time and with the necessary opening of a considerable amount of dead ground the Golden Star mill has produced something over $21,000. This in itself is sufficient evidence that the mine has by no means become exhausted, and it is the opinion that the mine is a remarkably good one to make such a creditable showing under the circumstances. While it is the province of the mining engineer to state facts and present conditions and be conservative in his estimates of results to be obtained, still, if he makes a recommendation to continue further along the line of work, it is most certainly his idea that more good ground will be opened up or he would not recommend the continuation of the work.

The engineer certainly could not recommend the building of a larger mill if there had hardly been sufficient development work done to keep a 10 stamp mill going. When this work is carried to a more advanced stage and more drifts and levels opened up, with a further depth a larger mill will certainly give good paying results with the same quality of ore now being encountered, which averaged for five months on 4,407½ tons $5.51, and with an increase in value of the ore such as present indications seem to prove, it will likely enable the mine to get a sufficient reserve fund ahead so that it may be able to resume dividend paying by the first of June, possibly a month or so later. But when they begin again it will be on the condition that there is a sufficient treasury reserve to meet contingencies, and a good supply of pay ore blocked out ready for stoping. Although there are more things to detract from the chances of success of the Golden Star Company in comparison with other mining companies in our region, still it is the general impression that the mine will keep right on producing bullion in increasing quantity, and dividends will follow as a matter of course.

AT MAGERSFONTEIN

A Vivid Description of the Burial of the Brave Highlanders.

GENERAL WAUCHOPE LAID TO SLEEP

CHOKING SOBS BROKE THROUGH THE SOLEMN RHYTHM OF THE MARCH OF DEATH.

Some of the most brilliant work in the way of descriptive writing ever done by war correspondents has been appearing in the London papers during the last few days. After tracing the terrible loss suffered by the Highland brigade at Magersfontein, the Daily News thus writes of the burial of General Wauchope:

"Three hundred yards to the rear of the little township of Modder river, just as the sun was sinking in a blaze of African splendor on the evening of Tuesday, the 12th of December, a long shallow grave lay exposed in the breast of the veldt. To the westward a broad river fringed with trees running murmuringly to the eastward, the heights still held by the enemy scowled menacingly. North and south, the veldt undulated peacefully. A few paces to the northward of that grave 60 dead Highlanders lay dressed as they had fallen on the field of battle; they had followed their chief to the field, and they were to follow him to the grave. How grim and stern those men looked as they lay face upwards to the sky, with great hands clasped in the last agony, and brows still knit with the stern loss of the strife in which they had fallen. The plaids dear to every Highland clan were represented there, and as I looked, out of the distance came the sound of pipes—it was the general coming to join his men.

"There, right under the eyes of the enemy, moved with slow and solemn tread, all that remained of the Highland brigade. In front walked the chaplain, with bared head, dressed in his robes of office; then came the pipers with their pipes, sixteen in all; and behind them, with arms reversed, moved the Highlanders, dressed in all the regalia of their regiments and in the midst the dead general, borne by four of his comrades. Out swelled the pipes to the strains of "The Flowers of the Forest," now ringing proud and high, heights. At midnight the gallant, but ill-fated men moved cautiously through the darkness towards the kopje where the Boers were most strongly entrenched. They were led by a guide who was supposed to know every inch of the country out into the darkness of an African night. So onward, until three of the clock on Monday. Then out of the darkness a rifle rang, sharp and clear, a herald of disaster—a soldier had tripped in the dark over the hidden wires laid down by the enemy. In a second, in a twinkling of an eye, the searchlights of the Boers fell broad and clear as the noon-day sun on the ranks of the doomed Highlanders, though it left the enemy concealed in the shadows of the frowning mass of hills behind them. For one brief moment the Scots seemed paralyzed by the suddenness of their discovery, for they knew that they were huddled together like sheep within fifty yards of the trenches of the foe.

"Then, clear above the confusion rolled the voice of the general—steady men steady—and like an echo to the veteran's cry, out came the crash of nearly a thousand rifles not fifty paces from them. The Highlanders reeled before the shock like trees before the tempest. Their best, their bravest, fell in that wild hail of lead. General Wauchope was down, riddled with bullets, yet gasping, dying, bleeding from every vein, the Highland chief raised himself on his hands and knees and cheered his men forward. Men and officers fell in heaps together. The Black Watch charged and the Gordons and the Seaforths, with a yell that stirred the British camp below, rushed onward, onward to death or disaster. The accursed wires caught them around the legs until they floundered like trapped wolves, and all the time the rifles of the foe sang the song of death in their ears. They then fell back, broken and beaten, leaving nearly 1,300 dead and wounded just where the broad breast of the grassy veldt melts into the embrace of the rugged African hills, and an hour later the dawning came of the dreariest day that Scotland has known for a generation past.

Of her officers, the flower of her chivalry, the pride of her breeding, but few remained to tell the tale, a sad tale truly, but one untinted with dishonor or smirched with disgrace, for up those heights, under similar circumstances, even a brigade of devils could scarce have hoped to pass. All that mortal men could do, the Scots did, they tried, they failed, they fell, and there is nothing left us now but to mourn for them and revenge them. In vain all that day Methuen tried by every rule he knew to draw the enemy; vainly the Lancers rode recklessly to induce these human rock

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Mr. Edison's system of gold extraction by electricity is somewhat similar to that which he uses at Edison, N. J., in getting iron from river ore by magnetism. Changes were needed in the iron-extracting machinery to make it applicable to gold ore.

Mr. Edison when asked to explain his statement that he preferred the deposits of low grade ore to those of high grade, said:

"Give me the deposits of low-grade ore in this country and others can have the high grade. The high-grade deposits are always in small veins, and it would not pay to put up my machinery to work them. The great profits of the future in mining are to be made from low-grade ores near at hand, reduced by such an extractor, as I have designed.

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"Then once again the pipes pealed out and Loch Aber no more cut through the stillness like a cry of pain, until I could almost hear the widow in her Highland home moaning for the soldier she would welcome back no more. Then, as if touched by the magic of one thought the soldiers turned their tear-dimmed eyes from the still form in the shallow grave toward the heights where Cronje, the [illegible] of South Africa [illegible] his soldiers stood. Then every cheek flushed crimson and strong jaws set like steel, and the veins on the hands that clasped the rifles swelled almost to bursting with the fervor of the grip, and that look from those silent men spoke more eloquently than the tongues of orators, for on each frowning face the spirit of vengeance sat, and each sparkling eye asked silently for blood. God help the Boers when next the Highland pibroch sounds; God rest the Boers' souls when the Highland bayonets charge, for neither death, nor hell, nor things above, nor things below will hold the Scots back from their blood feud. At the head of the grave, at the point nearest the enemy, the general was laid to sleep, his officers grouped around him, whilst in line behind him his soldiers were laid in a double row, wrapped in their blankets. No shots were fired over the dead then resting so peacefully; only the salute was given, and then the men marched campwards, as the darkness of an African night rolled over the veldt."

The same graphic writer thus depicts the way in which the disaster overtook the Highlanders: "During the night it was considered expedient that the Highland brigade, 4,000 strong, under Gen. Wauchope, should get close enough to the lines of the foe to make it possible to charge the dishonor or smirched with disgrace, for up those heights, under similar circumstances, even a brigade of devils could scarce have hoped to pass. All that mortal men could do, the Scots did, they tried, they failed, they fell, and there is nothing left us now but to mourn for them and revenge them. In vain all that day Methuen tried by every ruse he knew to draw the enemy; vainly the Lancers rode recklessly to induce these human rock limpets to come out and cut them off. Cronje knew the mettle of our men and an ironic laugh played around his iron mouth and still he stayed within his native fastness, but death went ever at his elbow, for our gunners dropped the lyddite shells and the howling shrapnel all along his lines until the trenches ran bloody and many of his guns were silenced. When at 1.30 p.m. of Tuesday we drew off to Modder river to recuperate, we left nearly three thousand dead and wounded of grim old Cronje's men, as a token that the lion of England had bared his teeth in earnest."

THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

It Covers Some Territories and Includes Various Races.

From the latest statistics published it appears that the British Empire extends over 11,331,700 square miles, of which 121,481 are in the small islands which are the home of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland. Queen Victoria is ruler over 400,000,000 people, and only 40,000,000 of them dwell within the confines of the United Kingdom. In 1897 the revenues of Great Britain and her colonies were $1,125,000,000, while the share raised in the United Kingdom was only half that amount.

India, Australia and Canada are, of course, the richest of Britain's possessions. In the provinces of India the Queen's realm extends over more than 1,500,000 square miles of territory, and through her viceroy she rules 292,000,000 people. The Canadian possessions cover 3,470,257 square miles, and the Canadian subjects number nearly 5,110,000 souls. In Australia the Queen has 4,235,250 loyal subjects. It is the largest island in the world—about 3,175,153 square miles—equalling in size the United States, including Alaska, and being 26 times as big as the little Britain that rules it.

The rest of Great Britain's colonial possessions are not, territorially, so important. In the English and Irish channels are the Isle of Man, Jersey and Guernsey. In the Mediterrean are Gibraltar and Maltese and Cyprus islands, in the gulf of Aden is a group of dependencies. In the Indian ocean are Ceylon and a few minor islands, in Asia are India and the Straits settlement. In the Asiatic archipelago are Hong Kong, North Borneo and Labuan islands; in the Pacific the British flag floats over New Zealand and the Fijis. On the American continent, besides Canada, Britain holds sway

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The machinery which Edison has devised has been completed and is ready for shipment to Santa Fe, N. M., where it will be started. It is boxed up at the Edison works at Orange and surrounded by every safeguard of secret.

"I am the patentee of the process," said the inventor, "but my only interest in the corporation, which is called the Calestro company, is my employment as its expert. I expect to go to New Mexico with the machinery and superintend the construction of the plant. We shall begin work almost at once.

"At the start we shall produce $10,000 worth of gold every day. The electric machinery will take it directly from the sand. There will be no transportation of the ore. We shall handle it all on the spot and merely ship the pure gold."

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TRIUMPH MINE.

Its Stockholders Met in Alpena Last Week—Directors Elected.

Alpena Echo: The stockholders of the Triumph Mining Co. met in W. H. Sanborn's office, Water street, last night. The following were elected directors: F. W. Gilchrist, Patrick Culligan, J. C. Wood, W. H. Sanborn, F. L. Richardson, H. Clothier, C. H. Reynolds, F. A. Kimball, A. B. Upton of Duluth.

The directors will meet to elect officers some time during the week. The new board contains three new directors, C. V. Hicks, W. A. Frazer and C. E. Cheney being the retiring directors.

The Triumph Mining Company is capitalized at $50,000. Nearly all of its stockholders are Alpena citizens. The mine is located near Rat Portage, in the Canadian gold country. It has not been running for over a year.

Patrick Culligan, who has visited the mine frequently, gave the result of his investigations at the meeting. It is understood that operations will be commenced again in a short time, the stockholders deciding to push the development of the mine.

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The Western Type.

Some one has observed that delegations appearing at Ottawa from the Northwest have always been remarkable for physical strength and breadth of mental vision. Be that as it may, there can be no doubt that we have growing up in the west a type of Canadian citizen whose influence upon the destinies of the whole country will become increasingly powerful. The history of the American west will be repeated with us. And when this reflex tide of far-visioned, vigorous and daring western folk sweeps back upon the older Provinces the centre of gravity in politics and business, as in mental and religious life, will be found west of Lake Superior. It is not a weakness for this confederacy to have distinct types among its citizens. The staid qualities of the east will long serve as a brake upon the youthful and altogether pardonable exuberance of the west, while the west in turn will quicken and enrich the east. The gravest questions of our national future must be fought out upon the broad plains of the west. What the west becomes Canada will be.—Toronto Globe.

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"What a charming fellow!" That is the involuntary opinion formed by any previously unprejudiced person on first meeting the redoubtable Dr. Leyds. He is such a thorough man of the world, suave, gentle and courteous in manner, with a fund of information on all subjects, a pretty taste in art, and all the refinement of high culture.

A good-looking man, too, of medium height, he has a dark complexion, dark rather straight hair, and dark eyes, keen, piercing, but kindly. Added to this he is well dressed, neat, and polished, with the invariable black frock coat, clean white shirt, and narrow black tie like a bootlace, of the orthodox Continental diplomatist.

Withal, he is a crafty man of extraordinary powers of fascination, no one leaves his presence unscathed by his subtle power of charm. Even

PAUL KRUGER SUCCUMBED

after the briefest struggle, and though it was gross flattery to allege that Leyds was popular in Pretoria, it would be equally incorrect to say that he was feared. A little of the basilisk, a good deal of the sphinx, a touch of Macchiavellicum-Mephistopheles, and the affability of a drawing room tenor—all these qualifications combined in making the man interesting as a study and almost unique as a type.

The broad facts of his peculiar case are simple enough. He is a Batavian born of Dutch parents in the Netherlands, East Indies. As a boy he was brought home to Holland and put to school. He displayed quite remarkably aptitude and ploughed his way quickly and valiantly through all the junior classes. Before he was sixteen years old he had passed with honors his final examination in the Government College of Preceptors. He then took his degree as Doctor of Philosophy—hence his title—and also qualified as a teacher of drawing and gymnastics.

In the year 1881, the Transvaal held

fields had raised the population and the income of the republic to an incredible extent, a brilliant prospect was set before the aspiring statesman. He was appointed State Secretary, an office of great importance, and of somewhat poor emolument. He was duly installed, and proceeded at once to attract the immigration into the Transvaal of hordes of impecunious and incompetent Hollanders, who speedily filled a very large proportion of the minor offices in the civil service.

So things went on until it became evident that the Landesvaders, the "patres conscripti," had become jealous and envious of his young cultured sprig of old Holland. He was altogether too important, useful, well-to-do, and above all too polite. This last quality they hated because they could not understand it. There must be, they thought, some sinister design behind this suave, charming manner. So they pretended; and it was thought safer to deport Dr. Leyds.

Accordingly he was created Transvaal minister-plenipotentiary to the courts of Europe, with a residence at Brussels, and a very free hand in the management and distribution of secret service money. He has occupied this position for some time now with conspicuous ability, and although the air of Berlin is said not to agree with him, he has held a sort of court at Brussels, which has its ramifications in many places where men write about things in the Transvaal.

A man named Holland is credited with assisting him in the dissemination of useful information on matters which might otherwise remain painfully obscure; and the press of various European countries is curiously divided into two camps—that which takes the news supplied by Dr. Leyds as gospel truth, and that which has the temerity to have an opinion of its own.

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Lord Strathcona.

Strathcona's Horse will be a splendid addition to the South African troops, and all the more so, seeing that the mounted men are Canadians, furnished through the munificence of a Canadian. A remarkable career Lord Strathcona has had. If you turn to the map of Canada and note the north shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, from the Saguenay to the Straits of Belle Isle, you will see the wild and rugged coast upon which Donald A. Smith spent his boyhood days. In the forts and settlements of that forbidding territory Donald did work for the Hudson's Bay Company. He was a lad of great energy, and it is on record that once when stricken with snow-blindness he travelled five hundred miles to Quebec in the dead of winter for treatment. Young Smith's devotion to his duties got him promotion, and he was seen later on

How to Open a New Book.

Hold the book with its back on a smooth or covered table; let the front board down, then the other, holding the leaves in one hand while you open a few leaves at the back, then a few at the front, and so go on, alternately opening back and front, gently pressing open the sections till you reach the center of the volume. Do this two or three times and you will obtain the best results. Open the volume violently or carelessly in any one place and you will likely break the back and cause a start in the leaves. Never force the back. If it does not yield to gentle opening rely upon it the back is too tightly or strongly lined.

A connoisseur many years ago, an excellent customer of mine, who thought he knew perfectly how to handle books, came into my office when I had an expensive binding just brought from the bindery ready to be sent home. He, before my eyes, took hold of the volume, and tightly holding the leaves in each hand, instead of allowing them free play, violently opened it in the center and exclaimed, "How beautifully your bindings open!" I almost fainted. He had broken the back of the volume, and it had to be rebound.—"Modern Bookbinding Practically Considered," by William Matthews.

Got the Wrong Woman.

A pastime which obtains among the farm classes of Korea, known as the "packing off of widows," consists of a raid by some disconsolate widower and his friends on some village known to contain a young widow, the forcible abduction of the lady in question and her marriage to the widower. An instance of this kind has recently come to our notice. A widower living in one of the villages of Kangwha with 11 friends went to a hamlet close to the walls of Kangwha city where a widow lived and seized and carried off, after somewhat of a battle, a young lady. It so happened, however, that they had mistaken the house and unfortunately got hold of the wrong lady. Early the next morning an indignant posse came in pursuit, but the men who had committed the dastardly deed succeeded in eluding them. The young lady, however, was rescued, and after the house of the widower and its contents had been completely demolished she was escorted home in triumph by her husband and his friends.—Kobe Chronicle.

Hook Swinging in Bengal.

The people of Gangutia, in Bengal, have a barbarous practice called hook swinging. They deck themselves out with garlands, and then assemble together to undergo the most horrible torture. A wire about a quarter of an inch in diameter and seven feet long is pierced through the tongue, and then the wretched being will dance for over half an hour with the wire still hanging through the tongue.

Some of them form themselves into a row and are then sewed together by a wire needle threaded with cord. They are sewed by the arms and look like herrings on a wire when ready for the hook.

It is thought that the victims are drugged considerably beforehand, owing

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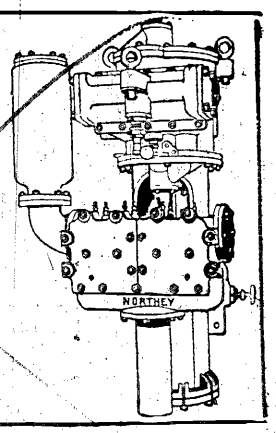

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Sheriff's Sale —OF— LEASEHOLD LANDS.

UNDER and by virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias, issued out of the District Court of the District of Rainy River, and to me directed and delivered, against the Goods and Chattels, Lands and Tenements of C. A. Macdonald at the suit of J. W. Douglas.

I have seized and taken into execution—

1. All the said C. A. Macdonald's estate, right, title and interest of, in and to, an undivided one-half interest in Mining Location leasehold, N.T. 16, N.W. 17, and N.T. 18, northwest of Pipestone Lake in the District of Rainy River, being Leasehold No. B16, and known in the Lands Titles Office at Rat Portage as Parcel No. 1507.

2. All the aforesaid C. A. Macdonald's estate, right, title and interest of, in and to, Mining Location leasehold H.P. 167, lease No. 1685, and known as parcel No. 1836 in the Lands Titles Office at Rat Portage in the District aforesaid.

3. His interest in Mining Location leasehold H.P. 161, containing 40 acres, Parcel No. — in the Lands Titles Office at Rat Portage aforesaid.

4. His interest in Mining Location lease

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ably aptitude and ploughed his way quickly and valiantly through all the junior classes. Before he was sixteen years old he had passed with honors his final examination in the Government College of Preceptors. He then took his degree as Doctor of Philosophy—hence his title—and also qualified as a teacher of drawing and gymnastics.

In the year 1884, the Transvaal being in want of educated officials who could conduct the business of the Republic in a manner more or less in accordance with its claim to be a civilized nation, he was appointed State Attorney (Attorney-General) of the South African Republic.

With his blushing

HONORS THICK UPON HIM,

he set sail for what was to him a veritable *Eldorado*. He was a poor man, a very poor man, but he did not remain so long. The fates were propitious; soon after his arrival in Pretoria and his being sworn into office, he accurately gauged the material which he was employed to mould into shape; very unpromising at first, but with illimitable possibilities of which he was not slow to take advantage.

He soon began to assert himself; Dr. Leyds of Pretoria in a very few months became the butterfly that had emerged from the chrysalis schoolmaster Leyds of Holland. The plastic Boers were more or less easily moulded into the shape which their attorney-general thought best for them—and for himself.

Nothing was too s[illegible] thing [illegible] large for Dr. Leyds [illegible] tackle. He [illegible] that the much [illegible] [illegible]-monopolist had his [illegible] as well as the meanest th[illegible] that [illegible]. He cultivated the [illegible] [illegible] much of him; perhaps [illegible] from the evil of his ways; anyhow, they were always on the best terms. Both appeared to w[illegible] fat [illegible] metaphorically, that is, Leyds never lost his stiffness of [illegible] and his air of the hero of a [illegible] maiden's dream.

MORAL AND MATERIAL W[illegible]

[illegible]ally, Dr. Leyds has always been [illegible] assisted by his charming wife, [illegible] is Dutch by birth, and of quite extraordinary linguistic powers. It was at one time currently reported that Dr. and Mrs. (or Mevrouw) Leyds between them spoke over a dozen languages more or less fluently. Pretoria is not a literary town, and the centres of culture are few. The Salon Leyds was therefore all the more welcome as a haven of sweetness and light. Books were discussed, likewise pictures and prints, especially of the old Dutch masters. Dr. Leyds is a violoncellist of peculiar excellence, and chamber music, trios and quartettes were performed with taste, skill and discretion.

Towards the middle of 1889, when the inrush of Uitlanders to the gold-

sional dyers in dress fabrics, ribbons, silks, trimmings and gloves, give them a knowledge and advantage in colors that few men possess.

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Working on the great reputation of Diamond Dyes, some unscrupulous people are putting up imitation dyes in packets. Such dyes are a source of danger to the dyer and the materials to be colored. See that each packet of dyes purchased has the name "Diamond."

Canada's Forests.

New York Sun: Wood lands cover more than one-third of the area of the habitable parts of Canada. The Dominion's forest domain is the largest in the world, and about a third greater than that of either the United States or Russia, whose timber resources are nearly equal. With proper care the timber supply of Canada should be inexhaustible. The people, however, are now anxious about the rapid depletion of their forests. Mr. Seyfert, our consul at Stratford, writes that forest fires and the enormous lumber and wood pulp industries have so far denuded the timber lands of Ontario that the inhabitants are alarmed over the future of the fuel supply. Hard wood is now worth from $6 to $8 a cord and soft wood from $3 to $5. These prices make fuel a very expensive item in a country where the winters are long and severe. Consul-General Bittinger writes from Montreal that the industrial tax upon the forests is as nothing compared with the terrific scourge of fire which has left millions of blackened trunks from the shores of Nova Scotia to the Lake of the Woods, a distance of 2,000 miles, to say nothing of the great destruction in British Columbia.

The Canadian government is taking new measures to conserve the forests. The office of chief inspector of timber and forestry was created in August last. The inspector's duties include the study of methods for preventing forest fires, the introduction of the practice of reproducing forest trees, and the setting apart of timber reserves in Manitoba and the Northwest Territory before they are encroached upon by settlers. Some of the lumber and wood pulp interests are beginning to see the need of replacing the timber they consume. The owners of a number of Canadian pulp mills have learned to supply themselves by decennial cuttings, which gives time for young spruce trees to grow and enable manufacturers to draw their supplies con-

Smith spent his boyhood days. In the forts and settlements of that forbidding territory Donald did work for the Hudson's Bay Company. He was a lad of great energy, and it is on record that once when stricken with snow-blindness he travelled five hundred miles to Quebec in the dead of winter for treatment. Young Smith's devotion to his duties got him promotion, and he was seen later on operating for the Hudson's Bay Company throughout the trackless wilderness of the West. He rapidly rose to the position of chief factor, and settled at Fort Garry. For the Crown he did great service on the occasion of the transfer of the North-West to Canada, and he did valuable work again when he risked all he had to provide us with the Canadian Pacific Railway. The poor lad of the gulf shore has risen to be the head of the Hudson Bay Company, the head of the Bank of Montreal, the moving spirit of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the representative of Canada in London, and a peer of the realm, sending a mounted corps of 500 men to fight the battle of the Empire at his own expense.

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SIXTY FOOT VEIN.

The Tunnel Has Entered the Big Atikokan Range Ore Body.

Port Arthur Herald: Word has been received from the Atikokan range that the tunnel on the north side of the range had encountered the big vein of iron ore—estimated to be about 60 feet in width. The wall where encountered was found to be perpendicular, without a dip in either direction. This large vein has but recently been entered and its actual extent will not be known for some time. It will be remembered that this tunnel has already cut through a nine foot vein of ore. A tunnel is also being driven from the south side of the range, designed to meet the one from the north. Iron men will await with interest the value and extent of the big body of ore now being cut. Mr. Weigand, the manager of the works, is expected in from the mine within a day or two.

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pierced through the tongue, and then the wretched being will dance for over half an hour with the wire still hanging through the tongue.

Some of them form themselves into a row and are then sewed together by a wire needle threaded with cord. They are sewed by the arms and look like herrings on a wire when ready for the book.

It is thought that the victims are drugged considerably beforehand, owing to the sullen, dazed expression they wear throughout, but sometimes one or two faint and are with great difficulty brought round again

When Home Is Sweet.

Fewer wives would sit lonesomely at home while their husbands roam elsewhere in search of entertainment if more wives realized that home should be something besides a clean place to eat and sleep in. Men "hate" women's tea parties and large show functions, but they like dinner and supper parties. Many families refrain from entertaining because they cannot do so on an expensive scale. It is, however, possible to give small dinners and suppers that are both enjoyable and inexpensive. Ask people who either do or will like each other, and if you wish the women to have a good time have just as many men guests as women guests. If the men are to have a good time, make sure that some of the women are pretty and flattering. Men like to be flattered. Oh, yes, they do.—Gentlewoman.

Boiled Rice.

Thomas Murray, the noted chef, says many cooks do not know how to do so simple a thing as to boil rice properly. Each grain of rice, he says, should be distinct, whole, but at the same time tender. To accomplish this, a small quantity of rice should be boiled in a large pot nearly filled with water. Put it into cold water and a little salt and boil rapidly for 20 or 30 minutes. Test the grains occasionally, and when a slight pressure between the thumb and forefinger will crush them they are done. If allowed to boil till the grains burst or boiled in a small quantity of water, the grains will stick together. When done, drain off the water and set the rice on the range, where it will keep warm.—Exchange

Hay Crops on Ice.

Farmers who live in the vicinity of Muskego lake, in southeastern Wisconsin, derive a profitable income from the lake each winter by harvesting hay on the ice. The shallowness of the water in the lake bed causes the grass growing on the bottom to project considerably above the surface, and when the ice forms the hay can be cut with great ease, though it cannot be got at the rest of the year on account of the boggy nature of the lake bottom.

While the population of France has increased only 10 per cent in the last 50 years the number of state officials, according to M. Turquan, shows an increase of [illegible] per cent

The shopgirl would enjoy her job better if she learned to sit on the counter when not busy.—Galveston News.

one-half interest in Mining Location (leasehold) N.T. 16, N.T. 17, and N.T. 18, northwest of Pipestone Lake in the District of Rainy River, being Leasehold No. 1916, and known in the Lands Titles Office at Rat Portage as Parcel No. 1506.

2. All the aforesaid C. A. Macdonald's estate, right, title and interest of, in and to, Mining Location (leasehold) H.P. 167, lease No. 1685, and known as parcel No. 1553 in the Lands Titles Office at Rat Portage in the District aforesaid.

3. His interest in Mining Location (leasehold) H.P. 161, containing 90 acres, Parcel No. —, in the Lands Titles Office at Rat Portage, aforesaid.

4. His interest in Mining Location (leasehold) H.P. 169, containing 69 acres, and known as Parcel No. —, in the Lands Titles Office, aforesaid.

All of which I shall offer for sale at my office at the Court House, at Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, on Saturday, 25th November, 1899, at the hour of Eleven O'Clock in the forenoon, being the aforesaid C. A. Macdonald's estate, right, title and interest of, in and to, the aforementioned leaseholds, being Mining Lots N.T. 16, 17, 18; H. P. 167, 161 and 169.

Sheriff's Office, Rat Portage,
1st November, 1899.

W. H. CARPENTER,
Sheriff, District of Rainy River.

This Sale is Postponed to Saturday, 24th February, 1900, at the same time and place.

Sheriff's Sale

—OF—

LEASEHOLD LANDS.

UNDER and by virtue of a writ of Fieri Facias issued out of the High Court of Justice, and to me directed and delivered against the Goods and Chattels Lands and Tenements of D. Morrah, at the suit of W. D. Douglas;

I have seized and taken into execution—

1. All the said defendant's, D. Morrah's, right, title and interest, of, in and to, Mining Location (leasehold) one-third interest of J.O. 6, known as leasehold Parcel 127, subject to the right of one A.E. Cline under an agreement filed as a caution against the property in the Lands Titles Office at Rat Portage in the District of Rainy River.

2. A three-eighths interest in Mining Location (leasehold) A.L. 181, east of Bad Vermillion Lake, known as leasehold Parcel 193, subject to an agreement for sale thereof made by F. H. Gilmour, registered by way of caution in March, 1899, in the Lands Titles Office, aforesaid.

3. His one-quarter interest in Mining Location (leasehold) H.P. 61, known as leasehold Parcel 237, subject to an agreement made with one A. E. Cline registered in the Lands Titles Office, aforesaid.

4. His one-third interest in Mining Location (leasehold) F.F. 18, containing 50 acres, and Mining Location F.F. 19, containing 40 acres, situate near Partridge Crop Lake, being leasehold Parcel 1156, in the Lands Titles Office, aforesaid.

5. His one-third interest in Mining Location (leasehold) D. 216, containing 48 acres, Mining Location G. 217, containing 40 acres, and Mining Location G. 218, containing 34 acres, being known as leasehold Parcel 1661, in the Lands Titles Office, aforesaid.

6. Also the said D. Morrah's estate, right, title and interest of, in and to Mining Location (leasehold) H. P. 167, lease No. 1685, Parcel No. 1535, in the Lands Titles Office at Rat Portage.

All of which, being the said defendant's, D. Morrah's estate, right, title and interest of, in and to the aforesaid Leaseholds, and known as Parcels 127, 193, 237, 1156, and 1661, respectively, in the Lands Titles Office at Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River

I shall offer for sale at Public Auction at my office, at the Court House, in the Town of Rat Portage, in the District aforesaid, on Saturday, the 25th day of November, 1899, at the hour of Eleven O'Clock in the forenoon.

Sheriff's Office, Rat Portage,
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Sheriff, District of Rainy River.

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BOARD OF TRADE DELEGATION.

The delegates from the board of trade who went to Ottawa to interview the various departments evidently met with cordial treatment, and several of their requests have been acceded to. The mail service to Fort Frances by way of Lake of the Woods will be re-established, and two or more lighthouses will be erected on the lake; one at Burton island, and possibly a third will be built. The minister of public works also assured the deputation that he would support an appropriation sufficient to construct locks at the Sault Rapids. This practically means that if the minister makes the recommendation for the appropriation for the locks that it will meet with favor from his colleagues.

We trust that this is not another bluff, for the owners of lake craft have waited patiently for something to be done with the $25,000 placed in the estimates for this purpose at the last session of parliament, though recognizing that the sum was very small for such an undertaking. However we are assured that it is probably a sum approaching $200,000 that will be appropriated this year, and that the work will be commenced in the spring.

MINING IS HUMMING

A man who alights from the train at Rat Portage and walks up the streets of the town, wonders what there is here to support such a large town and fine buildings for the size of the town amid this rocky wilderness. It is certainly not the lumber or railroad interests that has caused the town to increase so rapidly in size in the past three or four years. It must be admitted however that the former has added in a great measure to the prosperity of the town. Still when the matter is simmered down to a fine point it will be seen that mining has been the cause of the tremendous recent increase in wealth and population of the town. A number of our blocks have been built with money made in

most unbounded respect for the rights and privileges of all its subjects. It is this which has inspired our policy, and that policy we submit with confidence for the approval of Parliament."

NEW TREATY

A treaty has been entered into between Britain and the United States which removes all obstacles standing in the way of the Nicaragua canal, and abrogates the Clay-Bulwer treaty. The new treaty vests in the United States an exclusive right to build and manage the canal, both powers guaranteeing the canal's neutrality, and the United States is to refrain from fortifying its approaches or otherwise restricting open access to it. All the other powers are to be asked to observe the canal's neutrality, which is to be placed on the same basis as the Suez Canal in international politics.

NO NEED FOR WORRY.

The closing down of the War Eagle and Centre Star mines in British Columbia caused great excitement in mining circles in Toronto and Montreal. There is actually however, no cause for alarm for the mines have only stopped shipping temporarily, because the development of the mines has not kept pace with the taking out of ore. The gold is still in the mines, and it is only that it may be taken out more cheaply later on that shipping is temporarily stopped. The practical mining man will readily recognize that this is a wise step, and one that is being followed at the present time by the Sultana mine in our own camp. The stopping of the stamps at the Sultana did not for one moment lessen the value of the property but on the contrary has been the means of further proving the value of the mine, and when the extra stamps commence to drop the shareholders will have regular and increased dividends.

Everybody feels like sending congratulations to a victorious army. Queen Victoria is different, for she reserves her kindest words for the army that has met a reverse.

The Ontario Legislature will meet on February 14. The oratorical barrel is in full swing at Ottawa, but when the bung is pulled out at Toronto we may expect change in the weather.

In the recount in the Winnipeg election for the commons, Mr. Puttee, the labor candidate has been counted in by a plurality of 8 votes over Mr. Martin, the Independent Liberal candidate, who on the first count was declared elected. Mr. Puttee is the editor of The Voice, the organ of the labor party, and is said to be a young

countersign. The goat either misunderstood him or was a deliberate enemy. Whichever it was I do not know, but he did not give the countersign, so our dutiful sentry promptly hit him on the head with his rifle, and we han roast goat for our breakfast. We gave some to our captain, and he proved himself a good soldier. His eyes brightened up, and with a smile he said: "This is queer looking corned beef." But a soldier's duty is never to ask questions but to eat whatever Her Majesty sees fit to provide us with. Our captain is a very fine fellow.

This place was the scene of a battle about three weeks ago and there is evidence of a hot fight on both sides. The first night we were here the British Columbia boys were ordered out on outpost duty on a kopje about three miles from camp. We left camp about 1 p.m. and reached the hill in about an hour. The night was very dark. I shall never forget it. We stumbled over rocks all the way. We reached a good position and waited till daylight came, or Boers, as the case might be. To those who have never seen dead bodies the daylight revealed a gruesome sight. From where we were we could see dead Boers in an advanced stage of decomposition and about as many dead horses. The Boers had retreated in such haste that they did not take time to bury their dead. Pieces of broken shell and empty cartridges were lying all around.

Since I began this letter we have received orders to proceed to Modder river, and we are all wild with excitement. I hope you will be on the lookout for me when I return and I will bring you some souvenirs, that is, if I am spared to return.

Hoping to hear from you as soon as possible.

Yours very respectfully for Queen and Country,

W. H. BROOKING,
Company A.

SCOTTISH HEROES.

Rev. Dr. Johnston, of London, Gives an Entertaining Lecture.

Last Friday evening the people of Rat Portage were given a rare treat by Dr Johnston, in the Knox Presbyterian church. His delivery was dramatic, and some of the Scotch people in the audience were much affected.

The large church was comfortably filled with an audience which listened throughout with wrapt attention to the eloquent lecture of Dr. Johnston, of London, Ont., one of the most able divines of the Presbyterian church in Canada.

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our own country and the United States. The foreign society of the Church of Christ has planted missions in Japan, China, India, Turkey, Denmark, Sweden, Norway and Cuba. Their missionaries will soon sail for the Hawaiian Islands and the Philippine Islands. They now have 229 missionaries in different foreign lands. Their foreign missionary work was begun in 1875. This is the Silver Jubilee year. It is expected, and doubtless will be received, that an offering of $200,000 will be given to this work. The Church of Christ of this town will do its full duty towards raising the $200,000.

Capt. Williams, of Iowa, chaplain of the 56th regiment, U.S. army at Manila, has returned enthusiastic over the missionary prospects of that distant land. He has been appointed a missionary to Manila and in company with others will sail soon. One gentleman of the Church of Christ proposes to give $5,000 for this special work, and has already given $5,000 to plant a mission in the Hawaiian Islands.

Speaking of the Church of Christ and this part of its work, we are reminded of the national convention held in Cincinnati, Ohio, last October. Over 15,000 disciples were present. The greatest attendance of any one religious body in the history of North America. It opened the eyes of that smoky old town of Cincinnati, and made her realize that there was something going on in the world besides the beer business. JOS. KREVIL.

The Virginia.

The Virginia Mining Company have decided to install a complete machinery outfit on their splendid property in the Deer lake district. The main shaft is now down to a depth of over 200 feet, and continues to be in most excellent ore. They have 140 feet of cross cutting at the 100 foot level, which has proven beyond a doubt the value of the property, and will justify the company in installing the best mining plant possible to secure.

Hale Old Age.

Sad to see people advanced in years suffering from Backache, Lame Back, Urinary Troubles and Kidney Weakness. A hale old age, free from pains and aches, can only be attained by keeping the kidneys right and the blood pure.

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The original owners of this great property take stock in the Company for the property, and their shares when issued are to be placed in the hands of a reliable trust company, to be held by such trust company until this Company has secured a mining and milling plant of 250 tons daily capacity.

A HUNDRED STAMP MILL on this great deposit will earn from 25 to 40 per cent. annually on the par value of the shares, which means from 200 to 400 per cent. to the investor who buys competent engineers in the expenditure of our funds.

We can quarry out 10,000 tons of this ore and have it treated at the public reduction works as soon as navigation opens, and by this means we can earn enough to buy our own mill, and for this purpose we are now selling ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND SHARES of treasury stock at ten cents per share cash or on the following terms: Two cents per share cash down and 1 cent per share per month until paid. This offer subject to advance without notice.

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We do not expect to be very long in disposing of this issue owing to the very low price at which it is selling. Don't wait too long but send in your order at once if you want any of these shares. If you have any money to invest place it with home people and buy SHARES that entitles you to an interest in the property owned by a good, reliable company.

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SIR WILFRID'S PERORATION.

The following are the concluding words of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech in the Commons Tuesday last: "And now, the issue is in the hands of that Supreme Power which builds up and destroys empires and nations, whose ways are inscrutable, and whose judgments are even righteous, even although they bring disappointments and bitterness. Fondly do we hope that this mighty scourge of war may soon pass away; that it may end in a victory, which, when achieved, shall take away from the Dutch population none of the rights which they have today, but which will compel them to give others the same treatment upon which they have always insisted for themselves; which, when achieved, will probably bring about a grand confederation of those warring States in which the rights, the privileges, the traditions, nay, even the prejudices of all sections of the population will be respected; in which there will be justice and freedom for all and absolute equality before the law. With these grand ideals, these aspirations, these purposes before them, the colonies of Great Britain to-day stand behind her, not to give her any assistance—she does not need that—but to affirm to the world that the unity of the British Empire is a real and living fact, to affirm to the world that the unity of the British Empire is based upon and derives its strength from the most complete local autonomy, the

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From Belmont.

The following interesting letter was received by Mr. B. Taylor, from W. H. Brooking whom he only met at the station here while the contingent was passing through:

Belmont, Dec. 31, 1900.

Mr. B. Taylor:

Dear Friend,—This letter will no doubt be a surprise to you, that is, if it ever reaches you. I am not certain if my memory serves me correctly with regard to your name. Since coming here I have often thought about Canada and the people who cheered us as we went through the different towns. The papers give you daily news of the progress of the war, so there will be no use me mentioning that, but some of the camp news may be of interest to you. We are now about 30 miles from the scene of action, and may remain here some time. Although we are not actually fighting we are by no means idle. This is an important forwarding station for the food and water for the 10,000 troops a few miles further north, and should the Boers succeed in taking this place Lord Methuen's force would be compelled to retire and fight the battle of Belmont over again. Although we would all prefer being at the front, still a soldier's duty is to do as he is told and ask no questions. Our time will come some day and then we will get even with the Boers for being the cause of the washing and freezing that we have had in this place. In speaking of this as a station it must be understood that we are not in a town. There is a station, water tank, and a half dozen or so low mud and stone huts, the rest is veldt. Bret Harte's description of Alkali station might be affixed to this place:

Sage brush, rock and alkali
Alkali, rock and sage,
Sun in the east in the morning,
Sun in the west at night,
And the shadow of this station
The only thing that moves to-night.

Here are the kopjes, immense rock and dust and low bushes, with ostrich walking around the camp, and the lazy chameleons sunning themselves on the rocks. Herds of sheep and goats can be seen wandering around in the distance most of them without owners. The [illegible] minds me of our breakfast this morning. We soldiers get tired of the continual coffee, bread and tack and corned beef. So last night one of the boys from our tent, who was on duty as sentry ordered a stray goat that tried to pass him, to halt and give the

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In his lecture on Scottish heroes, Dr. Johnston, after dwelling for a time on Scottish life and character, took up the hero, William Wallace, and eloquently portrayed his eventful and heroic life in endeavoring to free his country from the yoke of England, from the time of his marriage and flight to the hills to escape the anger of the English, who had been enraged at his killing an Englishman who had insulted his young wife, until he was finally done to death some time after his escape from the ill fated battle at Falkirk. In highly colored language he described some of his great engagements, and, changing to the pathetic, pictured in touching terms the change in the tide of his successes, dating from the time that dissention and jealousies broke out among his country men.

Robert Bruce was referred to in a few words by the lecturer remarking that Wallace did the bloody work and laid the foundation which Bruce thereafter built the superstructure of Scottish independence.

The days of Scotland's oppression and persecution 200 years afterwards were then touched on, and the lives and acts of such reformers as Patrick Hamilton, the first Scottish martyr, George Wishart and John Knox, the great Scottish political and educational reformer and statesman were vividly portrayed in most eloquent language. The terrible days of darkness through which Scotland passed when overrun by the notorious Claverhouse, and his troopers and 18,000 people were slain for the defence of principle and religion and when Presbyterianism was found as described by the lecturer held the audience spell bound. He closed what was a most interesting and eloquent lecture by commending such loyalty to principle to all dwellers in such a magnificent land as Canada.

When Dr. Johnston comes to Rat Portage again he may be sure of having a large and appreciative audience.

Mrs. Gunne sang "The Blue Bells of Scotland," in her usual capable manner. The choir also sang a few selections.

A Silver Jubilee Offering.

The Church of Christ is one of the rapidly growing religious bodies of North America. They number in the United States alone over 1,[illegible] and made a gain last year of more than 40,000 in their membership. The secret of their phenomenal success is their love for Christ and His Church. They have always entered a protest against sectarianism and for primitive apostolic Christianity.

Their church is doing a very extensive work in foreign lands as well as in

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"Arab's Love Song."
—Music by H. Sylvester Krause.
"Just a Little Spray of Heather Bells."
—By G. Hamilton.
"Noo I Wants Ma Pay."
—Music by Albert H. Fitz.
"How I Lubs Dat Girl of Mine."
—By E. Moulton.
"The Havana Patrol."
—By A. F. Huntingdon.
"Stuttering Joseph Cake Walk."
—By R. Coan.
"A War Song."
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LOST—2 Grey Sleigh Robes, between the brick yard road and the new post office. Finder will be rewarded by leaving the same with C. W. Fraser.

Notice of Meeting.

NOTICE is hereby given that the second annual meeting of the Shareholders of the Miner Publishing Company of Rat Portage, Limited, will be held at the Miner Office on Wednesday evening, February 14th, 1900, at 8 o'clock, for the receiving of reports of Directors, and other business.

J. P. EARNGEY,
Dated Rat Portage, Jan. 26th, 1900. Secretary.

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KEEWATIN WON.

The Rat Portage Invincibles Defeated by a Score of 7-1.

Seven hockey players, who are certainly stars, although their light was snuffed considerably in the game, met seven of the Keewatin ringers for a game of hockey in the Victoria skating rink Wednesday night. Rat Portage met defeat and took off their hats, all except one. It was a highly exciting game. Some of the boys carried their sticks around under their arms while not in a recumbent position on the ice. Dicky checked Heap severely and said "Say, I'm sorry I hurt you. Have you any insurance? Let me write you up for about ten thousand." Ferrier as a goal keeper is a great success, when not overturned by a Keewatin man or breaking his stick over a Rat Portage man's back. Dicky has a bad habit of tackling large men. Pender sold the game. Ham couldn't stand any better than Frank. The line up of the teams was as follows:

Keewatin.		Rat Portage
Douglas	goal	Ferrier
Echlin	point	Pedder
Stinson	cover	M. Heap
McPherson	forwards	Heys
Armstrong		McMurphy
Sutherland		McPhail
Fisher		Bowman

Max played well, and so Dicky and Jack and Pete, but we think Tommy's boodoo prevented Rat Portage from winning. Some of the spectators were still murmuring as to bunch at the for the effective play of Erwin at goal Central would doubtless have made at least a score. Al Rose is an excellent referee and Higgins and Charlie Hilliard umpired. Higgins says that during the first half the goals came faster than a Rand rock drill strikes. They said that Charlie held up his hand once too often, and Charlie said "Well, what difference will a dozen or so goals make, anyway?" Mr. Wilson was very cheerful. He didn't need to sweep the rink. The teams were as follows:

Russell		Central
Erwin	Goal	Davies
McRobert	Point	Roach
Guthrie	Cover	M. Beaudro
Green	Forwards	R. Beaudro
Bellefuille		Howard
Burrage		Doris
Wright		Beaudro

Portage la Prairie Game.

On Saturday night our Thistles line up against Portage la Prairie, and a warm contest is promised. It is certain that the Thistles will not let Portage take the game without attempting to shoot a score or two on their own behalf. The Thistles are working hard to get into shape, and it is quite certain from the used-up appearance of the junior team that they are in good condition. Everybody will be there and everybody will be much disappointed if our only own do not carry the game around the rink and keep it at home. The Portage boys are husky but we expect our boys to put up an elusive dazzling combination that will render the Portagers tolerably uncertain as to the whereabouts of the puck until the hand of the umpire goes up and one game goes down for Rat Portage and so on. We want the boys to win and they want to win, so the only thing left for them to do is to leave no chance at the puck unturned, and score lots of games.

Bankers and Lawyers.

A most exciting contest between these two classes of people will occur Monday night. The lawyers team is made up in order of position starting at goal as follows: A. McLennan, J. E. Bird, T. R. Ferguson, A. C. Boyce, W. J. Moran, J. F. McGillivray, H. F. Langford. The bankers are, F. R. Godwin, A. S. Swinford, R. H. Moore, A. L. Palmer, H. W. Wilkinson, J. Withers and P. L. Beere.

CURLING.

Curling is still absorbing the waking hours and causing a number of our prominent citizens to talk in their sleep. The ice is good and the interest in the sport more so. At any hour of the day you can generally find a group of players at the rink, noon

German Band, Grand March, and other attractions. Refreshments will be served on the ice. This will be probably the best fancy dress carnival ever given in Rat Portage, as a number of ladies are taking the matter in hand, and promise a turnout of costumes that will eclipse any previous effort. If you wish to be fairly in it prepare your costume early. The admission fee is placed at 25c, which will provide a night's fun and at the same time help our most worthy institution.

The following is the programme of the service of praise to be held in St. Alban's church, Monday evening next, Feb. 12, at 8:15 o'clock:

Hymn 477
Anthem—"The Lord is Exalted," West
Solo.....Miss Moor
Solo—"A Dream of Paradise,".....Gray
Mr. H. M. Sutherland.
Anthem—"The Strain Upraise,"....
.....Sullivan
Solo—"Abide With Me,"....Ambrose
Mrs. F. R. Godwin.
Organ—Offertoire in D Minor..Batiste
Chorus—"Unfold ye Portals," Gounod
Solo.....Mrs. W. J. Gunne
Solo.....Mr. Angus Sutherland
Hymn Anthem—"March Onward,
Soldiers True,".....Berridge
Hymn 437
Organ—Sortie in E Flat.....Wely

A collection will be taken up in aid of the choir fund. The choir of Knox church, together with other friends, have very kindly consented to assist the choir of St. Albans on this occasion.

THE NEWS FROM NORMAN.

Last Sunday afternoon Rev. W. M. Rochester conducted services in the Presbyterian church and made a special appeal on behalf of the Century Fund. Norman is expected to raise $400, in addition to ordinary running expenses, and $140 has already been raised.

Presbyterian church Ladies' Aid met at the residence of Mr. J. Dodds Wednesday afternoon.

B. C. Griffiths was on a visit to our new merchant, J. M. Simpson, last Sunday.

J. Brouillard is suffering from an attack of la grippe.

J. Clarkson came down at the beginning of the week from the Gold Panner mine, where he has been superintending the erection of a stamp mill.

G. Simpson writes from Rainy Lake city that John Cardinal met with a serious accident while engaged hauling logs. He had his leg broken at the knee. The accident happened a few hours after Dr. Beatty had left the hospital, so the unfortunate man was driven in pursuit of the doctor to Fort Frances, where the leg was properly set, and the patient left there in charge

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Popular Wants.

FOR SALE or exchange a good horse, apply to Robt. Graham, blacksmith, Fort street, Rat Portage.

WANTED—A general servant. Apply to Mrs. F. R. Godwin, East Fort St.

WANTED—One hundred cords of wood hauled from the bush to the Scovil and Gougher blocks, distance three and one-half miles. C. W. Chadwick.

TO RENT—The store on Main street two doors from Electric Light Co. building, formerly used as a restaurant. Apply to J. Nickless, next door.

TO RENT—House containing four bedrooms, parlor, dining-room and kitchen, cellar with furnace, lately occupied by Jos. Johnson. Apply to Matt Brown.

LOST—Between Gardner's Store and Rideout Estate Saturday night, a dark green pocketbook with a maple leaf clasp on it, containing $8, of which $7 was silver, and a large list of names, a few stamps, etc. Finder return to Miss Theresa Swanson, or Miner Office for suitable reward.

FOR SALE—The following Organs in good order: 1 Karn Organ, 5 octaves, Canopy top, slightly used, at $45.00; 1 Estey Organ, 5 octaves, Canopy top, slightly used, at $40.00; 1 Clough & Warren, small size Harmonium, $20.00; 1 Morrish & Co., Canopy top, $45.00; also in excellent order, 1 Mendelssohn Upright Piano 7½ octaves at $150.00. The Mason & Risch Piano Co., Main St., Rat Portage.

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The Big Sale

The talk of the town, and no wonder—never before were such Bargains given in the town.

We expect this month to be the busiest month in the year. This sale has only commenced and big parcels are going out daily.

If you have not been in yet, don't delay.

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Fisher		Bowman

Max played well, and so Dicky and Jack and Pete, but we think Tommy's hoodoo prevented Rat Portage from winning. Some of the spectators were so ill mannered as to laugh at the game played by some of the boys, while some took it almost too seriously. Tuesday next at 10 p.m. Keewatin plays the Druggists. It is expected that the drugs will defeat them. as Tommy will get out his rabbit's foot. Joe Johnston will participate in this game.

Lumbermen Organize.

The lumbermen met in the office of the lumber company and organized a team to play hockey in the mercantile league. They are not saying much but they evidently expect to come somewhere near the top at the end of the series. The lineup of the team will be as follows: Goal, Dulmage; point, Bryans; cover, Bellefuille; forwards, McClelland, Frazer, Fitzgerald and Lyons. The lumbermen will doubtless act on the old saw that practice makes perfect, and will endeavor to keep their men planed down and dovetail them into one homogenuous whole. In a sawdust arena, the lumbermen are allright. They should also do well on skids.

The first game of the lumbermen will be against the schools and it is anticipated that the match will be a hot one. Predictions as to the result are altogether out of order.

Much to Nothing.

[illegible] of the Central House [illegible] of the Russell House met on [illegible] Victoria rink on Monday [illegible] put up a most magnificent [illegible] of hockey. The Central boys stored one of those goose eggs while the Russell made 21. There was hardly anything else but hockey played on the ice, [illegible] they do say that the Russell boys played havoc among the Central [illegible] winckers. The Central [illegible] played a star game and [illegible] all that was coming to him [illegible] he tried hard to stop the [illegible] Some of the Central boys fell down, and they say that on the ice is not the only place they fell down. The game was not multi-sided. It was in fact very much one sided. The Russellers centralized their attention principally on getting a number of goals. Champion Oarsman Gaudaur was seen with a heavy growth of smile [illegible] It is believed that he will [illegible] the Russell team to pare down Montreal Vics shortly.

Burrage, Bellefuille and Guthrie did some very fine work. They also played baseball and several other [illegible] for their own amusement during the game. Howard of the Central team did some very effective work on the forward line. Roxey and his [illegible] and Doris did some very good combination work, and narrowly escaped scoring several times. Larry did some heavy body work but he did not get much gore. If it had not been

CURLING.

Curling is still absorbing the waking hours and causing a number of our prominent citizens to talk in their sleep. The ice is good and the interest in the sport more so. At any hour of the day you can generally find a group of players at the rink, noon hour not excepted, and they talk of bugs and sundry other merchandise in connection with the game. The play of the week has resulted in quite a shake up. Following is the score at present: Hudson 9-1, Neads 4-4, Langford 4-4, Drewry 5-3, Cameron 6-2, Kennedy 3-6, Sterling 4-3, Clark 4-4, Gaudaur 5-2, Weir 4-4, Campbell 3-5, Kyle 2-5, Bunn 7-2, Smith 5-4, Burton 5-4, Chapple 0-8.

NOTES.

Burton's Kids beat Hudson.

Hudson is thinking.

Bunn bought a new pair of boots for the game. He says that sold the game, but he thinks they can beat the Kids on other ice. He now wears his hat straight.

Burton says he will die happy now.

"Smith," said Neads, "What did you let Drewry beat you for? You're easy."

Neads says Smith says nothing now. Smith says, "It's dead easy. That's the way."

Pitmore beat Harry Marshall and the latter said "Its too bad I had to shove several tons of granite along the ice for nothing. I'm weary."

The draws are out for the Patron, Patroness and Smith-Fischell competition. The former, Mr. Rogers gave a fine pair of red hone curling stones as a prize. Mrs. Carmichael, the patroness, gave a handsome gold locket. The Smith-Fischell Company gave 200 [illegible] cigars.

The [illegible] will send three rinks in to Winnipeg to the Bonspiel. They will [illegible] Hudson, Campbell and Carmichael rinks. A large number of the club members will also go to see the [illegible].

The first year single contest for the Neads prize is now on in earnest.

The competition for the district medal came off on Monday night. The Travis and Balsden, who played against Weir and Clark, respectively. Weir won by five and Clark tied. The medal will be given to a Rat Portage player on points.

A Query.

Rat Portage, Feb. 6, 1900.

To the Editor of the Miner:

Dear Sir, - Would some one of your numerous readers solve this problem for a few interested in hockey:

If the Central house can beat the Shaw house 8 goals to 0, and the Russell house beats the Central house 21 goals to 0, how many could the Russell house beat the Shaw?

Yours for hockey,

MOSSTURK.

Hospital Carnival.

A carnival under the auspices of the Hospital Ladies' Aid will be given in Victoria rink Friday evening next, February 16. All those appearing in costume must wear a mask, and will be allowed to register only between 2 and 6 p.m. There will be several special attractions by prominent young ladies. Soldiers of the Queen march.

tending the erection of a stamp mill.

G. Simpson writes from Rainy Lake city that John Cardinal met with a serious accident while engaged hauling logs. He had his leg broken at the knee. The accident happened a few hours after Dr. Beatty had left the hospital, so the unfortunate man was driven in pursuit of the doctor to Fort Frances, where the leg was properly set, and the patient left there in charge of a professional nurse who is resident there, thanks to the foresight of Lady Aberdeen.

R. Bates arrived Saturday from his camp at Denmark lake.

J. H. Grace went to Scotty island on Monday.

Dr. Beatty and J. S. Kay returned on Tuesday from a trip around the lumber, mining and fishing camps.

There was another polonaise match this week between Messrs. P. L'Heureux, J. Gauthier, of Norman, and J. Perrault, L. Plouffe and J. Casson, of Rat Portage. There is a slight divergence of opinion as to the result. Rat Portage claims a victory by 1 and the Normanites claim a tie. A full fledged match with a referee will be played at an early date.

Geo. Foster started with a gang of men on Tuesday to take out some of the old machinery at No. 4 mill, which will be replaced by new and improved machinery before spring.

Wm. Bell left on Wednesday for Ash Rapids.

The long pending lawsuit between F. Tobin and J. Thompson came up at the Division Court on Wednesday when the plaintiff not putting in an appearance was non-suited.

Another Norman lawsuit decided at the Division Court on Wednesday was an interpleader suit, J.H. Snider, execution creditor, W. T. Bell, defendant, and Massey-Harris Co., claimants. Mr. Snider having withdrawn, claim of Massey-Harris Co. to a lien was allowed.

Laird-Hutchison.

The many friends of Mr. R. Laird will join in congratulating him on his marriage at the Church of the Epiphany, Toronto, by the Rev. Bernard Bryant, Saturday, Feb. 3, 1900, to Miss M. L. Hutchison. The young couple arrived Tuesday morning from the east, and are now living at the Hilliard house.

Death of Jno. McKellar.

Jno. McKellar Esq., one of the oldest residents and one of the most popular and well-known men on the north shore of Lake Superior, died suddenly at his home in Fort William on Saturday, the 3rd inst. He served as Councillor, reeve and mayor of the Municipality of Neebing and the town of Fort William respectively for a quarter of a century, retiring from the mayoralty a year ago. He was known to many in Rat Portage who will sincerely regret the death of this pioneer of New Ontario.

THE SYDNEY WORKS.

Iron and Steel Men all Over the Country Watching the New Enterprise.

A Pittsburg despatch to the New York Herald says: A company of this city made a shipment of material to Cape Breton, to which place American steel manufacturers are turning their attention. At Sydney the Dominion Iron and Steel Company is having erected a plant, the contract price of which was \$5,000,000. The works when erected are expected to furnish considerable iron and steel for Europe. Being hundreds of miles closer to European ports, the company will have a great advantage in competition with manufacturers in the States. The contract for the erection, equipment and starting of the entire Dominion plant was let to the Pittsburg company July 15 last.

It is probably the largest single contract of the kind ever awarded, and includes the erection of four large blast furnaces and a complete open hearth steel plant for billets. The furnaces will have 16 hot blast stoves with hot and cold blast piping and four steel chimneys 200 feet high. The plant will have 12,000 horse power boilers and five of the largest engines ever constructed. There will be 10 open hearth furnaces with soaking pits and a complete blooming mill.

Six electric cranes and an electric plant for lighting and power will be part of the equipment. There will also be 200 modern coke ovens, arranged to save all the by products. The contract will require 13,000 tons of steel and iron work and about 15,000,000 bricks. Pittsburg workmen will erect the plant. Many of them are now there, working under the direction of Thomas Elter.

Boston and Canadian capitalists are behind the new enterprise, of which Henry M. Whitney is the leading spirit. There is considerable good ore and limestone, which the new company controls, in the immediate vicinity. From the Canadian government the company will receive a royalty of \$2 per ton on pig iron and \$3 on billets. The plant will give employment to several thousand men, and the majority will be taken from the United States.

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THE RAT PORTAGE COLD Storage & Produce Co., Limited.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a General Annual Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Company's office in the Town of Rat Portage in the District of Rainy River, Ontario, Canada, on Tuesday, the 20th day of February, A.D. 1900, at the hour of 2.30 in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors for the past year, the report of the Auditors, and for the election of officers for the coming year, and for the transaction of such other business of the Company as may be brought before the said meeting.

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Our Mr. Howard has been several years in the laundry business and was with Mr. Brown the past 18 months.

Goods called for and delivered to any part of Rat Portage Keewatin or Norman.

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Fort William Times-Journal, Feb. 3: The following little chapter from every day life records a deed of heroism, an act of splendid courage, than which no mail clad or khaki clad warrior ever performed nobler.

J. J. Spain is a bright young man, about 30 years of age, who is employed as freight brakeman on the C.P.R. out of Rat Portage. He was employed as rail end man on McIntosh's extra about 10 days ago, when about two miles west of Wabigoon a wheel broke under the third car from the van on the train of 35 cars. The conductor attempted to signal the engineer to stop the train by pulling the bell cord, but the bell had caught and was inoperative. The trainmen knew that if they did not stop the train there would be a most disastrous wreck, as one truck was off the track, and as the car was swaying and bumping along, threatening every minute to go over the dump. There were two flat cars loaded with long timber between the car with the broken wheel and the caboose.

Spain, brushing aside all considerations of personal safety, and faithful to the call of duty, succeeded after several ineffectual attempts in reaching the side ladder of the damaged car, scrambled up the side and crawled along the top on his hands and knees until he reached the next car, where he succeeded in turning the angle cock, set the brakes and brought the train to a standstill.

Practical railroaders will appreciate the heroism of the feat and the frightful risk incurred by the gallant brakeman. At any moment the other truck of the car might have left the rails and Spain's life dashed out in an instant. On the other hand, had the link holding the car to the head of the train, broken or the truck under the car slowed the timbers on the flat cars behind would have smashed the de-

accompany them. Who is going to take the trip? To many it will be the event of a life time. Going in such company will be safe and also salutary. We would say, "Don't miss it." * * * Our own Provincial Committee are bestirring themselves to have a good programme for Guelph in October. We expect representatives there from every quarter of Ontario. Guelph is a good central spot and no doubt our meeting will be a great success. Many societies have reported to our Treasurer Rev. W. Doherty at Hensall. We trust that none will overlook their annual contribution for the carrying on of our provincial work. That small though it be, is urgently required. Let it not be forgotten. Let us keep the fire burning.—Rev. Dr. Dickson, Editor, Galt.

CANADA AND ENGLAND.

THE SERVICES CANADA HAS RENDERED FULLY APPRECIATED.

A Prominent Brockville Business Man Pays a Tribute to the Good Work of a Canadian Institution in England.

From the Brockville Recorder: One of the most successful business men in Brockville is Mr. Thomas Nappy, the well known Perth street grocer. Mr. Nappy is an Englishman by birth and the success he has achieved in business here has enabled him for some years past to make an annual holiday trip to the Motherland. In a casual conversation with some friends in the Bank of Montreal recently Dr. Williams' Pink Pills happened to be mentioned and Mr. Nappy said that if the pills effected many cures as marvellous as one that had come under his notice he was not surprised that they were so frequently the theme of conversation. Asked later by a reporter of the Recorder to give the story, Mr. Nappy readily consented to do so, and we give it practically in his own words. "I don't be disappointed when I tell you that the cure did not occur in this country," said Mr. Nappy. As a matter of fact it occurred in England and came under my observation on the occasion of two visits made to that country. During the summer of 1898 I paid a visit to my old home in England and while there visited William Ledger, a relation of mine living at 45 Fitzwilliam street, Doncaster. In Ledger's family was a little girl, Lilly, about 6 years of age, who was absolutely helpless with what the doctors said was St. Vitus' dance, but really seemed to me more like paralysis. This child was one of the most pitiful sights I ever saw; more helpless than a new born babe. She could not move a single limb, and if the head was turned to one side or the other it remained in that position until someone changed it. The poor child had to be fed and looked after like an infant, and as the doctors had not been able to do anything to relieve her, recovery was not thought possible. In

Polly at the Phone.

One West Madison street druggist lost a customer through his fondness for pets. He has a large green parrot, and the cage is hung near the telephone, with the result that Polly has become quite proficient in "telephone talk" and furnishes much amusement to the customers who have the time to stop and listen.

The other day a stylishly dressed young lady came rustling into the store and asked permission to use the phone. The druggist pointed to the rear of the store, and she started in that direction. The store was rather dark, and when she heard some one apparently talking into the receiver she seated herself on a chair to wait.

"Hello central—hello, hello—yes, give me four-double-eight-express. Yes, hello; who is that? Oh, yes; what, yes; hello, I say; no, I didn't get that; is that so? Well, goodby; ring off. Hello, central; hello, hello; give me"—and so on and so on through several repetitions.

Then she rose and advanced with a stately air to the clerk and asked if he thought "that person" intended to use the telephone all day.

"Why, that's only the parrot; he"—

But the front door had slammed before he could finish his sentence.—Chicago News.

Wanted to See That Foot.

On the principle that to some persons even old stories are new, this one, of the royal princelings of England, is given in Mr. G. W. E. Russell's recent book, "Collections and Recollections:"

An English gentleman who had a deformed foot was going to visit the queen at Osborne, and before his arrival the queen and Prince Albert debated whether it would be well to warn the Prince of Wales and the princess royal of his physical peculiarity, so as to avoid their making embarrassing remarks, or to leave it to their own good feeling.

The latter course was adopted. Lord —— duly arrived. The foot elicited no remark from the royal children, and the visit passed off with success. Next day the princess royal asked the queen

"Where is Lord ——?"

"He has gone back to London, dear."

"Oh, what a pity! He had promised to show Bertie and me his foot!"

They had caught him in a quiet spot and made their own terms with the captive.

His Half Way Scheme.

Not long ago a Pittsburg life insurance agent persuaded a Chinaman to take out a policy of $5,000. The latter had no clear idea of the transaction, but understood that on paying the premiums promptly he would be entitled to $5,000 some time. He began bothering the agent for the money after a couple of weeks had passed, and the agent tried to explain to him that he would have to die before he could get it. The Chinaman fell down a cellar way and was badly hurt. His friends tried to attend to him without calling in a doctor. When they did call one in two days later, the doctor was angry. "Why didn't you call me sooner?" he

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English All.

The time has come when we all can say
To our sons and brothers, away, away,
To the land where war, red war, is rife,
And Britons avenge, a life for a life.

Oh mother, have we not heard thy cry?
Have we not sent forth our best to die?
For the name that is thine, through sorrow and shine
We have heard, we are here for thy honor is mine.

We are blood of thy blood, we are English all.
We will go at thy nod to conquer or fall.
From east onto west we will summon our best,
We will hasten, we will haste, not stumble nor crawl.

To the flag that has waved in every sea
Are we bound by every tie that be,
And under that rag we'll never falter nor flag
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No crash of martial music or plaudits of admiring comrades inspired this brakeman to perform his deed of lofty courage. His prosaic but noble resolve was to do what seemed his duty, to save the property of his employers, and to do this he tendered as a sacrifice to duty the richest gift he had—his life.

Spain has already received a letter from Superintendent Bury commending him for his brave action, and the matter has be placed before the management of the company, and they will undoubtediy give his conduct the recognition it deserves.

Another $1,000 for Patriotism.

Mr. Robert Meighen, as president of the Lake of the Woods Milling Company, has sent on behalf of his company a donation of $1,000 to the Canadian patriotic fund. Mr. Meighen's British sentiments are fervid and strong, and he has more than once declared in public that everything should be encouraged which would help to [illegible] closer all parts of the empire. The handsome donation is only another, but most tangible, evidence of the patriotic spirit which [illegible] the entire directorate of the Lake of the Woods Milling Company.

C. E. Provincial Editors' Budget.

Dr. F. E. Clark has set out on another tour around the world. He had a most enthusiastic send off by the C. E. Societies of Boston, U. S. We [illegible] wish him a safe and a prosperous journey, may much good [illegible] from his visit. We in Canada who have been blessed by the C. E. movement pray for its extension to every part of the habitable earth, for it carries in its hand nothing but good. It is today one of the chief agencies of good among men. * * * Dr. S. D. F. Salmond of Aberdeen, who was present at the Dominion Convention at Montreal and spoke kindly and highly appreciative words which were not reported, as it was after twelve and the reporters were gone, has been [illegible] to for his words, that we may send them forth to cheer all our endeavorers. We expect to have them for our next "Budget." * * * The Great International Convention at London, England, is now being prepared for with great vigor and earnestness. The great tents "Williston" and endeavor will spread their white wings in a great park adjacent to London. And these shall call for many others to

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Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are just as valuable in the case of children as with adults, and many little ones would soon thrive and grow fat under this treatment, which has no equal for building up the blood and giving renewed strength to brain, body and nerves. Sold by all dealers or sent post paid at 50c a box or 6 boxes for $2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont. Do not be persuaded to try something else said to be "just as good."

Stephens Process in California.

The Stephens process of extracting gold values from ores is now being tested in southern California. It had headquarters at Salida for some time, but Mr. Stephens did not receive sufficient encouragement. A letter received here yesterday says that in treating tailings which ran $8.23 per ton in gold, a saving of 97½ per cent was effected. Mr. Stephens has been more liberal in the information given to California miners than he was in this state. He does not give the proportions of his formula, but gives the ingredients as chloride of lime, nitric and muriatic acid, bromide of potash, salt and water, and offers to give the exact formula to any one wishing to make tests. He claims extraction can be effected at a cost of 21 cents per ton.—Denver Republic, Jan. 6.

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Next day the injured man's brother was at the insurance office with a claim for $2,500. "You're not entitled to anything on this," said the insurance agent, "until the man is dead."

"Doctol say him half dled," answered the brother. "Why he no glet lat half?"

Good Horse Sense.

The Mexican burros ascertain where to dig for water by closely observing the surface of the ground. One observer writes:

"We had found water in an arroya of a sufficient quantity to make coffee, when we saw three burros searching for water. They passed several damp places, examining the ground closely, when the leader halted near us and began to paw a hole in the hot, dry sand. Having dug a hole something over a foot in depth, he backed out and watched it intently. To our surprise it soon began to fill with water. Then he advanced, took a drink and stepped aside for his companions to drink. When they went away, we drank from their well and found the water to be much cooler than any we had found for many a day. There is no witchcraft about Mexican burros, but they have good horse sense."

A Strange Test of Manhood.

The ancient Clan Macleod used to exercise a strange test to prove the manhood of their chieftains. At Dunvegan castle, on the island of Skye, there is preserved the large horn known as "Rory More's Horn." This capacious vessel holds rather more than a bottle and a half of liquor. According to the old custom, every laird of Macleod was obliged on his coming of age to fill this horn with claret and without once laying it down to drain it to the dregs. This was taken as a proof of his manhood, and he was then deemed a worthy successor to the lairds of the past

Deceitful.

"Men are queer animals," said the pessimist. "They are all more or less deceitful."

"Oh, I don't believe that!" replied the optimist. "I think there are plenty of people who strive to be honest. I know I do, and I don't give myself credit for being any better than the majority of men."

"Then why do you ask me how my health is every time we meet and stand around and look bored if I tell you?"—Chicago Times-Herald.

Things He Doesn't Know.

Farmer Medders—What's yer son Hiram goin ter do when he gits through college?

Farmer Corntossel—He's goin ter stay right here on the farm till he sorter begins ter realize that they's one or two things he don't know.—San Francisco Examiner.

fate;
From east unto west we will summon our best,
We will haste, we will haste, nor stumble nor crawl.

To the flag that has waved in every sea
Are we bound by every tie that be,
And under that rag we'll ne'er falter nor flag
When our mother has need of such as we.

By every western wind that blows
We haste from our Land of the Snows
So hand in hand with the dear Old Land
We will reap red harvest where no man sows.

The time has come when we all can say
To our sons and brothers, away, away
And clothed with thy love which is all our own,
We will fight for thee England, Home, sweet Home.

—HOLYLAKE.

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Let the singing winds, which be
Winged dream and melody,
Singing softly, by her lie,
Softly singing, die.

Let the bee has sucked the bloom
Homeward journey by her tomb,
And his tithe of sweet be paid
To her sweeter shade.

Let the low clouds, red and gold,
Mourn her on the mountains old;
Beauty, aye her guardian be,
You and melody.

Spirits of sound and souls of flowers,
All you dearest griefless powers,
You with whom she went away,
Tend her night and day.

—John Vance Cheney in Century.

BECAUSE OF IDEALS

He Won Her In Poverty and Married Her In Riches.

"May I walk home with you?" he asked.

It was past 8 o'clock on a wet winter night, and they had just come out of church, where the vicar had been discoursing eloquently on the social equality of man.

The girl looked up at the sky, opened her umbrella, and said, "Yes."

"You think he was right?" The man nodded his head in the direction of the building they had just left.

"Not at all," said she, with a little toss of her head. "I think he was all wrong in general."

"But in particular?"

"You and I have nothing to do with particulars," she remarked, kicking away a stone which lay in her path.

"We are particulars"—briefly.

"No, we are not," retorted the girl. "We are most decidedly generals. My father is General Carwithen, my grandfather was General Carwithen; your father is—a general dealer." This latter was said under her breath.

The man did not contradict her; he merely asked her if it made any difference to themselves.

"I think we are, and always shall be, as far apart as those two stars," she said sadly.

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too," he added. "It's rather fun to be snubbed when you know it is unnecessary."

Grosvenor looked thoughtfully into the fire. "I had ideals, too, once upon a time," he said. "I would have died for any of them any day. The difficult part was to live up to them."

"Don't outlive them, old fellow," said Needham. "It is a mistake. When the real shines in the reflected glory of the ideal, it is always the better for it."

"Do you really think so?" asked Grosvenor as he got up. "I am off to bed now. If I stay up any longer you will be persuading me to follow your example, and I don't think I should find it as amusing as you did."

The next morning Randal Needham was coming back from giving a lesson when he saw Cecil Carwithen in front of him. She was carrying her violin case and looked white and tired.

"You must let me have that," he said masterfully, pointing to the case. "And now tell me why you are looking so pale this morning."

A slight flush mounted to her brow. "I am tired," she said briefly.

"That isn't all," he replied.

At this moment Mrs. Ranter bore down upon them. She cut the girl, and bowed icily to Needham. It would not do for her to offend him, Kate was beginning to play the violin so well under his careful tuition.

"Cecil," said the man, possessing himself of her hand, "you know I love you, dear. Couldn't you make up your mind to marry me some day?"

"It's no use," she said sadly. "My parents would never consent."

"Oh, yes they would!"—in a triumphant tone.

"Our lives lie in different directions," objected the girl.

"But I make enough to keep you," urged Needham. "You need never do a stroke of work. And I am not common nor vulgar, whatever my father may be. Cecil, say you love me."

The girl looked at him, and he read the answer in her brown eyes. Then she seized her violin out of his hand and fled, leaving him staring stupidly after her, with a whole world of joy on his face.

For the next week neither of them saw each other. Randal Needham went away suddenly the day after, and staid away, to the surprise of his pupils (for it was term time), and the righteous indignation of Mrs. Ranter. "But what could one expect of a man like that?" she whispered confidentially to her bosom friend, a lady whose great niece had married the great nephew of a baronet.

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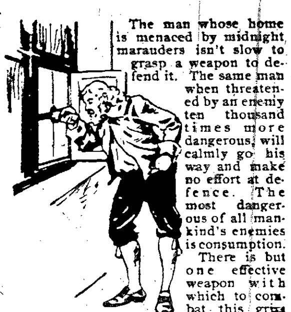

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Once home, she flung herself on the bed in an agony of despair. The man found his friend awaiting him on his doorstep.

"Hello! You look a bit down in the mouth, Needham. I knew this business wouldn't work satisfactorily," he said.

"It's working splendidly," answered the other.

"Then what is it?" asked his friend.

Randal Needham gave a little laugh and shrugged his shoulders. "The tale is as old as the hills, Arthur," he said. "I am in love."

"Phew!" ejaculated his friend.

"Oh, it's all right," said Needham. "She is a perfect lady." Arthur glanced round his friend's study. Violins and bows galore littered the room; music was the dominating passion of the man's life.

"She doesn't know?" he asked.

"Not she!" answered Needham. "She thinks my father is a general dealer in [illegible] heaven knows what! But I'll make her own she loves me before she [illegible] know. No one here has ever [illegible] my story. I am a poor violin [illegible], pure and simple."

"[illegible] so simple, either," Grosvenor laughed.

The two men had brought out their [illegible] and sat puffing away at them to their heart's content.

"[illegible] I met an old woman [illegible] the street today," went [illegible] of that her I was [illegible] and she asked me [illegible] turned up [illegible] the faintest idea of [illegible] feel pretty at table. No [illegible] enough for Mrs. Ranter; she [illegible] precious girls [illegible] future to [illegible] and you are not an eligible."

"[illegible]," echoed Needham. "Why, [illegible] the name of my [illegible] pupil's [illegible]. "Are you going [illegible]"

"Is the servant a [illegible]?" returned Grosvenor.

"Mrs. Ranter is one of the most arrant humbugs on the face of this earth. Nothing short of a title is worth anything to her," said Needham.

"Oh, I know her," returned the other. "I think she would sell her soul for position."

"If she had one," added Needham, and they both laughed.

"How did that 'general dealer' idea get about?" asked Grosvenor. He had stopped smoking to refill his pipe.

"Oh, I don't know!" answered the other. "I expect Mrs. Ranter is at the bottom of it, and I haven't contradicted it because it served my purpose well."

"You were always a rum chap, you know," said his friend. "I can't think how it is people don't see through you."

Needham paused in the act of putting a [illegible] coal on the fire. "I have always had my ideals," he said. "One of them was to be loved and [illegible] for myself alone. My father being out in Canada made it easy for me to sink my identity. And I've had an ideal existence [illegible] this charitable remark had been made. He was in deep mourning, and his first visit was to General Carwithen. Cecil was in the garden, and thither he wended his way after the interview was over.

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"I am not bound to work for a living," he said, "and"—

"Well?" she queried anxiously.

"Look at that," he said, thrusting a paper into her hand and turning away, so that he might not see her face. He need not have been afraid.

Cecil read the marked paragraph, "The funeral of Lord Cunningham." There was also a likeness of the heir, and it and the man sitting beside her were identical.

Mrs. Ranter was considerably astonished the next morning to get a letter in the ex-violin's master's handwriting:

"Lord Cunningham [illegible]grets that he will be unable to continue Miss Ranter's lessons, as he is leaving Leominster."

Still more surprised was she at the announcement of his engagement to Cecil Carwithen, which her daughters read out of the local papers a few mornings later.

"Girls!" she said to these two young ladies, "why didn't we ask him to dinner?"

And echo answered, "Why?"—St. Paul's Budget.

Some naturalists are of the opinion [illegible] the whale was [illegible] a land animal, [illegible] that it was forced to take to water as a means of protection.

RAILWAY RUMBLES.

About 3,000 miles of railway must be constructed to complete the line from Cape to Cairo.

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Twenty-five English railways paid in wages to employees [illegible] the first half of 1899 £644,000 more than was paid in the same period in 1898, an increase of [illegible] per cent.

The Batignolles railway tunnel near Paris is to be lighted by lines of ten candle power incandescent lamps. They are [illegible] a meter apart, and they are the [illegible] height as the carriage windows, so that if any train is stopped in the tunnel it will be lighted from the outside.

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The Prince of Wales, it is said, tips the [illegible] at 207 pounds.

The czar [illegible] widow was a telegrapher before her marriage.

For a private audience Queen Victoria is usually plainly attired in black silk.

Grand Duke Frederick William of Mecklenburg-Strelitz has asked the people to take the money intended to be spent for festivities on his eighteenth birthday and give it to the poor.

The queen of Portugal, who is said to have taken up medicine as a fad, became so interested in it that she completed the course and took the degree of M. D. She [illegible] the chief [illegible] to her husband, herself and her children.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That Gustavus Adolphus Kobold, of the Town of Rat Portage, in the District of Rainy River, and Province of Ontario, Butcher, will apply to the Parliament of Canada at the next sitting thereof, for a Bill of Divorce from his wife, Nellie Woodbury Kobold, formerly of the said Town of Rat Portage, now of the State of California, on the ground of adultery.
Dated at Rat Portage in the Province of Ontario, this Ninth day of September, 1899.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that, at the next Session of the Legislature of Ontario, application will be made for an Act incorporating a Company to be called "The Crow Lake Railway and Development Company," with power to construct a railway from a point on White Fish Bay, Lake of the Woods, District, Rainy River, easterly to a point on Crow Lake, and to operate same by steam, electricity or other motive power, also with power to build and operate steamboats, saw mills, electric power plants, hotels, stores, wharves, milling plants and to operate and develop mines and to obtain the exclusive privilege of carrying on the business of fishing in Crow Lake.
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During the Winnipeg bonspiel the G.N.R. is selling tickets to Winnipeg at single fare, good for one week. Tickets are on sale on February 17, 18 and 19, and are good to return till Feb. [illegible]

[illegible] concert in aid of the [illegible] fund. The date has not [illegible] definitely fixed, but will probably not take place till immediately after Easter. Mrs. Godwin, Mrs. Cayen and Miss Fisher have the matter in hand, and when the arrangements are [illegible]

when a full statement of the year's work will be rendered. All those who take an interest in the working of the institution are invited to be present.—Richard Thompson.

Mrs. Sigurdson sang last Sunday evening in the Baptist Tabernacle and will sing at the same place next Sunday evening.

The Rev. Mr Stacey gives a talk on Abraham Lincoln at the next entertainment in the series given at Zion church.

Mrs. Norman, who had her leg broken, is improving nicely. Her infant Sunday school class of the Methodist church sent to Winnipeg for a beautiful bouquet and presented her with it.

The new store and hotel of Mr. W. Cobb the Pioneer hotel keeper and merchant of Ignace is nearly completed. It is four stories high, built of solid stone taken from the quarry near Ignace, heated with hot air and will be as comfortably and up to date in all its appointments as any hotel in this district.

Mrs. C. W. Hamilton of Winnipeg commenced her class in China painting and water colors in the Clougher block on Tuesday. Mrs. Hamilton will return from Winnipeg and resume her class Tuesday the 20th, and will be pleased to meet any new pupils wishing to take lessons. If a sufficient number of pupils warrant it, it is Mrs. Hamilton's intention to come here from Winnipeg and give two days lessons every two weeks during the ensuing spring and summer.

A parlor concert in aid of the red cross fund is to be held shortly.

It is rumored that the victorious Russell team have become enlarged by the absorption of shaved ice, that they intend to challenge a combination team made up of boarders from all the other hotels in town.

The pupils of Mrs. C. W. Hamilton in china painting and watercolors and those interested are requested to meet in the studio in the Clougher block, Monday, Feb 12th at 4 p.m.

The entertainment given in the Baptist tabernacle by the Fisk Jubilee Singers last evening was largely attended. The songs and hymns which gave delight years ago have apparently not lost their charm, as the audience seemed to enjoy them as of old. It is possible the variety would have been better had the entertainment been in the opera house rather than the church. However the people did not tire of the wonderful melody of those negro voices, and were pleased that they had the opportunity of hearing them.

Mr. Tapscott will preach a sermon on Sunday evening to "Young People away from Home." These are specially invited to attend the service.

Mr. J. C. Blum reached Wabigoon on Thursday in an enfeebled condition. He is now staying at the St. Clair hotel, and gradually recovering his health and strength.—Star.

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R. H. Ahn left for Montreal Monday night.

Wm. Margach, one of the deputation who went east to interview the government, returned this week.

The sweet contralto of Mrs. Towers was heard to much advantage last Sunday morning at the Catholic church.

James Emmons came in from the Olympia mine for a few days this week.

R. Rogers M.P.P. went into Winnipeg Sunday.

Madames Carmichael, McCrossan, and Carpenter entertain their friends at a dance in the opera house assembly hall this evening.

Mrs. C. W. Hamilton of Winnipeg was a guest of Mrs. Rogers, Lakeside, a few days this week.

Mrs. Godwin and children have returned from their visit east, much improved in health.

Herbert Williams merchant of Fort Frances was in town this week.

Mr. C. McDermid, a bridge inspector of the C.P.R., at Cranbrook, and an old citizen of Rat Portage was here renewing friendships.

Mrs. Jas. Frazer and Mrs. Simpson of Keewatin are visiting friends in Rat Portage.

Remember the championship hockey game at Victoria rink Saturday night between Portage la Prairie and the Thistles. It will be a hot game.

It is expected that a game of hockey will shortly be arranged between the Thistles and St. John's college, Winnipeg, teams. We were informed that the proceeds of the game are to be devoted to the contingent fund, but have been unable to verify this.

The Winnipeg hockey team has gone down to Montreal to play for the Stanley cup. We hope they bring the mug back. Winnipeg will fill it for them if they do.

The Rat Portage Fire brigade wishes to express thanks to those who took part in their recent entertainment and also to the large number who were present.

Messrs. McKenzie & Co. open out a new dry goods store on Main and Fort streets, opposite the Hudson's Bay Store next week at Humble's old stand. The store presents a handsome exterior appearance, and is in a good location.

On Feb. 26 a concert and entertainment will be given in the Opera house by the pupils of Mt. Carmel school, St. Joseph's Academy and friends. The sisters tender an invitation to all kind friends.

A Night With Cranks.

Tuesday evening a large crowd was at the opera house to hear Rev. Mr. Nairn's lecture, "An Evening with Cranks," under the auspices of the fire brigade. Mr. Deacon opened the entertainment with a short address, after which Miss Lamond gave a piano solo, a medley of Scotch airs. Major Vanhoot then gave a burlesque on Tussaud's waxworks, with the assistance of a few figures. Mr. Sutherland sang "The Absent Minded Beggar." Mrs. Gaume and Mr. Carpenter also sang a solo and were encored. Miss Gertie Scovil was the accompanist. Mr. Nairn's lecture was very witty and well delivered in his dry manner. Attention he was very eloquent. The poem about the Curling club brought it was the best thing out. The effort was very successful.

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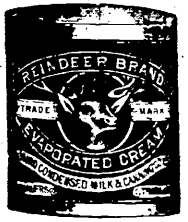

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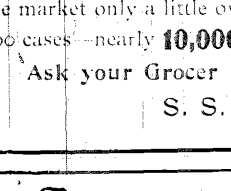

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A concert in aid of [illegible] has not been definitely fixed, but will probably take place till immediately [illegible] Mrs. Godwin, Mrs. [illegible] Miss Fisher have the matter [illegible] and when the arrangements are perfected a definite announcement will be made.

[illegible] of the Winnipeg [illegible] that should a office [illegible] be given strangers [illegible] to bring Mme. [illegible] the great pianiste [illegible]. A subscription sale of [illegible] has been opened.

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[illegible] body is going to the hospital [illegible] Friday evening next—at least [illegible].

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If [illegible] the Society desire to [illegible] charity thanks to those who [illegible] contributed to the Xmas [illegible].

The [illegible] meeting of the Humane [illegible] be held in the town hall, [illegible] Feb. 13, at 4 p.m.

T. B. Stacey will deliver a lecture on Abraham Lincoln, Tuesday evening, Feb. 13. Mr. Stacey will give a highly entertaining lecture on the interesting character in the history of the American republics. All are cordially invited to attend. There will be no admission fee.

R. Thompson, secretary of the Royal Jubilee hospital, makes the following statement for the week ending Feb. 6: Under treatment Jan. 28, 8; admitted during week, 3; discharged 0; deaths, 0.

The annual meeting of the Royal Jubilee Hospital will be held in the Board Hall on Tuesday evening, Feb. 13.

[illegible] at the St. Clair hotel, and gradually recovering his health and strength.—Star.

[illegible] Wesley's and St. Andrew's college, Winnipeg, teams. We were informed that the proceeds of the game are to be devoted. The poem about the Curling club banquet was the best thing out. The effort was very successful.

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